

Comparisons of Job Characteristics

Focus Occupation: [Nuclear Medicine Technologists \(29-2033\)](#)

Associated Occupation: [Diagnostic Medical Sonographers \(29-2032\)](#)

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<<	Focus occupation element is much lower
<	Focus occupation element is lower
0	Focus occupation element is at a similar level
>	Focus occupation element is at a higher level
>>	Focus occupation element is at a much higher level

Knowledge

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 87

Focus Occupation: Nuclear Medicine Technologists (29-2033)

Associated Occupation: Diagnostic Medical Sonographers (29-2032)

Associated Occupation's Key Knowledge Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating		Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Customer and Personal Service	11.3	17.5	17.9	0	Current knowledge level may be sufficient
Medicine and Dentistry	3.7	14.6	12.9	<	Expanded education and/or training may be required
Physics	4.3	14.0	9.9	<<	Extensive education and/or training may be required
Biology	3.7	7.2	12.0	>>	Current knowledge level is likely more than sufficient

The maximum possible rating is 25.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section analysis of O*NET (Occupation Information Network) data.

Skills

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 95

Focus Occupation: Nuclear Medicine Technologists (29-2033)

Associated Occupation: Diagnostic Medical Sonographers (29-2032)

Associated Occupation's Key Skills Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating		Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Science	4.5	10.3	10.1	0	Current skill level may be sufficient
Operation Monitoring	6.6	10.0	8.6	<	A higher skill level may be required
Operation and Control	5.4	9.5	6.7	<<	Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Equipment Maintenance	3.5	6.7	5.9	<	A higher skill level may be required
Equipment Selection	3.3	5.6	4.0	<<	Extensive development of skills in this area may be required

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Abilities		Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 92				
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Associated Occupation's Key Abilities Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation		
Near Vision	11.1	12.8	12.6	0	Current ability level may be sufficient	
Control Precision	6.6	11.2	7.9	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required	
Arm-Hand Steadiness	6.8	10.3	7.6	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required	
Flexibility of Closure	7.8	10.3	8.4	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required	
Visual Color Discrimination	6.4	9.4	6.7	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required	
Extent Flexibility	4.8	8.8	5.6	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required	

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Activities that Both Occupations Have in Common		Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 93
Focus Occupation: Nuclear Medicine Technologists (29-2033) Associated Occupation: Diagnostic Medical Sonographers (29-2032)		
Work Activities	Exclusivity of Activity	
Analyze medical data	57	
Collect clinical data	56	
Communicate technical information	4	
Explain testing procedures to patient	87	
Follow dental or medical office procedures	68	
Follow patient observation procedures	71	
Identify body response variations	57	
Inventory medical supplies or instruments	67	
Make presentations on health or medical issues	50	
Observe patient condition	48	
Prepare patients for tests, therapy, or treatments	70	
Understand technical operating, service or repair manuals	6	
Use clinical sterilizing technique	71	
Use emergency medical procedures	64	
Use hazardous materials information	35	

Use knowledge of medical terminology	40
Use medical diagnostic equipment	87
Use quality assurance techniques	61
Use sanitation practices in health care settings	48

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily perform all of the listed activities. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the activity is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations engage in that activity.

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Tools and Technologies that Both Occupations Have in Common

Similarity of Focus
Occupation to Associated
Occupation: 73

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Tools and Technologies	Exclusivity
Blood pressure units and related products	11
Computers	1
Content authoring and editing software	1
Industry specific software	1
Information exchange software	1
Injection and aspiration needles and accessories	25
Intravenous and arterial tubing and administration sets and related products	22
Medical radiological imaging information and archiving products	43
Medical radiological positioning aids	47
Medical radiological shielding and protection products	31
Medical ultrasound and doppler and echo imaging products	19
Specimen collection and transport containers and supplies	14
Vision protection and accessories	3

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily use all of the listed tools and technologies. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the tool or technology is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations use that tool or technology.

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